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Broad River Greenway Hosts Annual “Enchanted Forest” Nov. 1-2

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – A program held each year at the Broad River Greenway that helps educate children about nocturnal animals that live in North Carolina and the importance of sustaining their woodland environment is planned for this weekend. “The Enchanted Forest,” a Gardner-Webb community service project that is designed to entertain and educate kids from ages 2-12, will be held Nov. 1-2 at the Greenway.

The Greenway has been collaborating with the GWU Biology Department and Dr. Tom Jones on the Enchanted Forest for the past six years. Students from biology classes organize the program and dress up in animal costumes, giving kids an unforgettable visual learning experience.

In addition to tours, the program will also include face painting, a painting activity, and animal tracking activities for children while they wait for their tour to begin. The tours will get underway each evening at 7 p.m. and the last tour will begin at 8:45 p.m.

The mission of the Broad River Greenway is to protect and preserve the natural and cultural resources for educational and recreational opportunities. The Greenway is located off Highway 150, south of Boiling Springs.

For more information about this event is available through the Broad River Greenway at 704-434-0040.

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